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Hagerman Fossil Beds  
National Monument

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Superintendent's Compendium  
Of Designations, Closures, Permit  
Requirements and Other  
Restrictions Imposed Under  
Discretionary Authority.

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Approved:

  
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In accordance with regulations and the delegated authority provided in Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations ("36 CFR"), Chapter 1, Parts 1-7, authorized by Title 16 United States Code, Section 3, the following regulatory provisions are established for the proper management, protection, government and public use of those portions of Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument under the jurisdiction of the National Park Service. Unless otherwise stated, these regulatory provisions apply in addition to the requirements contained in 36 CFR, Chapter 1, Parts 1-7.

Written determinations, which explain the reasoning behind the Superintendent's use of discretionary authority, as required by Section 1.5 (c), appear in this document identified by italicized print.

I. **36 CFR §1.5 – VISITING HOURS, PUBLIC USE LIMITS, CLOSURES, AND AREA DESIGNATIONS FOR SPECIFIC USE OR ACTIVITIES**

(a)(1) The following visiting hours and public use limits are established for all or for the listed portions of the park, and the following closures are established for all or a portion of the park to all public use or to a certain use or activity:

Visiting Hours: The park grounds are open every day of the year and there is no entrance gate. The Administration Office in Hagerman is generally open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. as staffing permits. The Visitor Center in Hagerman is generally open 7 days a week from Memorial Day to Labor Day from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The remainder of the year the visitor center is open five days per week, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. as staffing permits. Visitors are encouraged to phone (208) 837-4793 to confirm hours.

Public Use Limits:

Consistent with applicable legislation and Federal administrative policies, the Superintendent has established the following rules, designations, conditions and restrictions on the following park activities to protect park resources and ensure public safety : 36 CFB § 1.5 (a)(2):

In order to protect park resources and ensure public safety the following public use limits are in effect:

Public use limits involve the following zones, as noted in the General Management Plan, 1996:

- The Natural Zone (82%) – includes the Paleontological/Research Subzone, the Natural Environment Subzone, and the Hunting/Fishing Subzone.
- The Cultural Zone (12%) – includes the Oregon Trail.
- The Park Development Zone (2%) – includes areas allowing development of facilities.
- The Special Use Zone (3%) – includes areas allowing NPS administration to be secondary to another agency.

In the Paleontological/Research Subzone (57%), public access is limited to:

1. Designated parking areas and trails,
2. Areas stated in an approved permit, and/or
3. Accompaniment by NPS staff.

In the Hunting/Fishing Subzone, which is designated by Public Law 101-512 as that area within 50 feet of the high water mark of the Snake River, hunting may occur during and in accordance with Idaho State Wildlife regulated seasons and methods.

Closures:

The Superintendent may temporarily close park roadways, parking area, facilities, waters, and all or portions of the park when such actions are deemed necessary to ensure public safety, protection of resources, or the avoidance of visitor use conflicts. The posting of signs, maps, media announcements, and the use of barricades and/or gates will identify such closures.

Road Closures:

1. Gravel roads leading to Bell Mutual Irrigation Company pump stations are closed near the Snake River in two locations commencing at locked gates:
  - a. The southern fork leading to the now destroyed Bell Rapids pump station, and
  - b. The northern fork at the last turn-around area before the Fossil Gulch pump station.
2. Two gated access roads leading to the abandoned gravel quarry north of the Snake River View Overlook
3. The roads at the south end of the Monument that parallel the Emigrant Trail and the Oregon Trail

Area Closures:

- Closure of a two-acre Special Use Zone area around the Fossil Gulch pump station facilities.

**II. 36 CFR §1.6 – ACTIVITIES THAT REQUIRE A PERMIT**

**(f) The following is a compilation of those activities for which a permit from the Superintendent is required:**

- §2.4 (d) Carry or possess a weapon (except in the Hunting/Fishing Subzone during State regulated seasons), trap, or net.
- §2.5 (a) Research Specimens
- §2.10 (a) Camping
- §2.12 (a)(2) Operating a chain saw in developed areas.
- (a)(3) Operation of any type of portable motor or engine, or device powered by a portable motor or engine in non-developed areas.
- (a)(4) Operating a public address system in connection with a public gathering or special event for which a permit has been issued pursuant to §2.50 or §2.51.
- §2.17 (a)(3) Delivery or retrieval of a person or object by parachute, helicopter or other airborne means.
- (c)(1) The removal of a downed aircraft, components, or parts thereof.

- §2.23 Special Recreation Activities.
- §2.37 Solicitation or demand for gifts, money, goods or services.
- §2.38 (a) Use, possession or storage/transport explosives, blasting agents.  
(b) Use or possession of fireworks.
- §2.50 (a) Conduct sports event, pageants, regattas, public spectator attractions, entertainment, ceremonies, and similar events.
- §2.51 (a) Public assemblies, meetings, gatherings, demonstrations, parades and other public expressions of views.
- §2.52 (c) Sale or Distribution of printed matter not solely for commercial advertising.
- §2.60 (b) Livestock use and agriculture.
- §2.61 (a) Residing on federal lands.
- §2.62 (b) Memorialization – Scattering ashes from human cremation.
- §5.1 Advertisements – Display, posting or distributing.
- §5.2 (b) Sale of intoxicants in certain park areas.
- §5.3 Engaging in or soliciting any business requires a permit, contract, or other written agreement with the United States, or must be pursuant to special regulations.
- §5.5 (a) Commercial filming of motion pictures or television, or commercial still photography which involves the use of professional casts, settings or crews, by any person other than bona fide newsreel or news television personnel covering breaking news. See also 43 CFR§5.5.
- §5.7 Construction of buildings, facilities, trails, roads, boat docks, path, structure, etc.
- §6.9 (a) Operation of a solid waste disposal site.

### **III. GENERAL REGULATIONS**

- ◆ Launching, landing or operating an unmanned aircraft from or on lands and waters administered by the National Park Service within the boundaries of Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument is prohibited except as approved by the superintendent.
  - This includes remote-controlled aircraft, commonly referred to as multirotors, quadcopters, or drones.

*The Superintendent has determined the unrestricted use of unmanned aircraft is incompatible with the mission the protect park resources and to ensure visitor enjoyment within the park. Unrestricted use of unmanned aircraft could impact sensitive wildlife, result in unnecessary noise, and pose a potential danger to park visitors. The prohibition complies with the NPS Director's Policy Memorandum 14-05 (Unmanned Aircraft—Interim Policy; June 19, 2014).*

- ◆ The following portions of the park or all portions of buildings, structures or facilities are closed to electronic cigarettes ("vaping"): all public buildings and offices.

*Limitations on e-cigarettes are required to protect employees and visitors from second-hand nicotine.*

### **36CFR§2.1 – PRESERVATION OF NATURAL, CULTURAL AND ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCES**

**(b) The Superintendent may restrict hiking ... to a designated trail ... pursuant to §1.5 and §1.7. Leaving a trail in violation of designated restrictions is prohibited. Hiking or other visitor use not covered by permit is restricted to the trail tread or walkway on the following trails/walkways:**

- All trails and open roads within the Paleontological/Research Subzone (57%), except any overlap in the Hunting/Fishing Subzone during State established seasons.

### **36CFR§2.2 - WILDLIFE PROTECTION**

**(d) The transporting of lawfully taken wildlife through the park is permitted under the following conditions and procedures:**

- Meet all state requirements.

**(e) The following areas are closed to the viewing of wildlife with the use of an artificial light:**

- All lands.

### **36CFR§2.4 – WEAPONS, TRAPS, AND NETS**

**In accordance with §2.4(a)(1-2), weapons, traps, or nets may be carried, possessed or used at the following designated times and locations where the taking of wildlife is authorized by law in accordance with §2.2, or the taking of fish is authorized by law in accordance with §2.3:**

- Weapons and their discharge are permitted only in the Hunting/Fishing Subzone, during seasons established by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game
- Trapping is prohibited on the Monument.

### **36CFR§2.15 – PETS**

**(a)(1) Pets are prohibited from all public buildings (including outdoor restrooms), trails, and undeveloped park property. Pets are allowed on paved paths and parking areas.**

**(a)(2) Pets must be on a leash/lead not to exceed 6 feet in length.**

- ♦ The above prohibitions do not apply to service animals, such as guide dogs accompanying persons who are visually impaired and hearing dogs accompanying persons who are hearing-impaired.

**(a)(5) Pet excrement must be disposed in accordance with the following conditions:**

- Pet excrement shall be removed immediately from the park or disposed in a trash receptacle by the person(s) controlling the pet(s).

### **36CFR§2.16 – HORSES and PACK ANIMALS**

**(a) The following animals are designated as pack animals: horses, burros, mules and llamas.**

**(b) The use of pack animals is permitted on the following trails, routes, or areas:**

- The Regional Trail (includes the Rim, Rim to River and River segments)

**(g) Other conditions concerning the use of horses or pack animals:**

- Animals must have been fed certified weed free hay within the 24 hours preceding use.

**36CFR§2.19 – WINTER ACTIVITIES**

**(a) The following park roads and/or parking areas open to motor vehicle traffic may be used for skiing, snowshoeing, ice-skating, innertubing, tobogganing, and similar winter activities under the conditions noted:**

- All monument trails and roads are open to cross-country skiing and snowshoeing when conditions permit.

**36CFR§2.21 – SMOKING**

**(a) The following portions of the park, or all or portions of buildings, structures or facilities are closed to smoking as noted:**

- All federal buildings within Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument are designated as non-smoking areas, inclusive of GSA contracted facilities.

**36CFR§4.21 – SPEED LIMITS**

**(b) The following speed limits are established for the routes/roads indicated:**

- 15 miles per hour on dirt roads within the Monument.
- Adhere to posted limits on county roads.

**36CFR§4.30 – BICYCLES**

**(a) Bicycle use is permitted on park roads, parking areas, and on the following designated routes:**

- Pump Station Road
- County roads, adhering to applicable state and county laws.

**The following routes are closed to bicycle use:**

- Emigrant Trail
- Oregon Trail Overlook.
- Regional Trail (all sections)

Superintendent: \_\_\_\_\_

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